

REMARKS:

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in conformity with the revised amendment format wherein provision of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(a), (b), (c) and (d) are waived for certain amendments.

The Preliminary Amendment herein addresses typographical errors appearing in the paragraph beginning on page 1, at line 14. Three paragraphs are moved to the section entitled "Summary of the Invention" and merged into one paragraph.

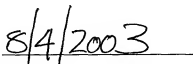
Additionally, this Preliminary Amendment sets forth clarifying amendments to the claims. The amendments to the claims were not made for reasons of patentability. The full range of equivalents for all of the elements of the amended claim, as well as for all of the other claims, should remain intact. New claims 21-30 have been added. Support for these claims is found at least on page 8, line 22 through page 10, line 10.

A favorable consideration that results in the allowance of all of the pending claims is earnestly solicited.

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